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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PCT/EP 99/08995 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 22 November 1999 23 November 1998 TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF PRODUCING SOLID DOSAGE FORMS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Joerg ROSENBERG, Werner MAIER

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following

- 1. /X/ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
- This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2.11
- This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C.371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until 3. /X/ the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
- 4. /x/ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
- A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 5. /X/
 - is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). a./X/ b//
 - has been transmitted by the International Bureau. cJ/
 - is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US0).
- A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. /X/
- Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 7.11
 - a.// are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
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 - have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c//
 - have not been made and will not be made.
- 8.// A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19(35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- 9./X/ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s)(35 U.S.C. 171(c)(4)).
- 10// A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).
- Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:
- 11./ / An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
- 12./X/ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
- 13./X/ A FIRST preliminary amendment.
- A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 11
- 14// A substitute specification.
- A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 15.//
- 16./x/ Other items or information. International Search Report International Preliminary Examination Report

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